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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices for next week were mostly trending unchanged in all areas. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand into all channels covered the full range, but was best for retail ads and fast food specials. Supplies of all sizes were irregular, ranging barely adequate to fully sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate, slightly better where weekend needs increased. Dark meat was balanced to tight and clearing well. Breast items and wings were at least adequate with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

Preliminary report Prices negotated for trucklot sales of ready-tocook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 11-JUL-2005 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Inclu	WTD			
<u>AREAS</u>	MAJORITY	RANGE	<u>AVG</u>	LOADS
Delivered to Fire	st Receivers			
Chicago	65.00-68.00	53.00-77.00	67.70	29
New York	71.00-74.00			
Los Angeles	81.00			
Southeast Area	FOB Dock Equiv	valent		
Mississippi	74.75-78.00	60.00-80.00	74.72	86

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 74.75 cents based on icepacked USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR **EQUIVALENT** FRIDAY PRELIM, WTD, AVG.

<u>LOADS</u>	RANGE FI	RIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
980 7	0.47-77.48	74.65
Georgia f.o.b. dock co	onfirmed preliminary	y weighted average price on
ice packed parts:	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
<u>ITEM</u>	(CENTS PER POL	JND) (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	172.50	1,285
BREASTS - B/S	153.00	5,695
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.50	1,354
THIGH MEAT - B/S	106.50	997
LEG QUARTERS	44.00	6,949
WINGS	82.00	2,955

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's final majority price. Whole broiler/fryer trade sentiment was steady. Additional whole fryer offers were adequate for buyer needs. Retail and food service movement was light to good with features and fast food outlets providing the best draw. Floor stocks were balanced to instances short. Sizes were in a desirable range. Supplies of leg items were barely adequate to tight with the balance of parts adequate. The market tone on dark meat cuts was fully steady to firm, and steady to barely steady on breast items and wings.

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand entering the weekend was fair to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food specials. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to fairly good. Dark meat was balanced to well cleared, breast items were mostly adequate, and wings were mixed but available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged. Early trading reported for next week's deliveries at generally unchanged prices. Offerings were barely adequate to fully adequate. Buying activity was fair. Retailer demand was fairly good best to cover feature activities. Dealers anticipated fair weekend clearances. The market tone was steady to fully steady on parts.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-tocook whole broiler/frvers was fair to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were more than sufficient for current trade needs with 3 pound and smaller sizes in the better balance. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were clearing satisfactorily; boneless skinless breasts were at least adequate. Legs and drums were in close balance to well cleared. Wings were fully adequate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to moderate entering the weekend. Seller offerings were about adequate to fully adequate and were generally in the better, closer balance on the 3.00 pound sizes. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were irregular. Processing schedules were heavy when combined with operations planned for Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 72 to 83 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate. Leg items were adequate to closely cleared. Wings were fully adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY IINCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

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		DRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE		68-89
WEIGHTED AVER	AGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES		(A)
CUMULATIVE	07/04/05-07/08/05	(A)
	07/05/04-07/09/04	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	07/04/05-07/08/05	(A)
	07/05/04-07/09/04	(A)

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									JULY 08	
	POUNDS	5		WTD	POUNDS					WEEKLY
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	<u>MAJORITY</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>	WTD AVG	<u>(000)</u>	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	627	134.00-200.00	-	140.48	713	138.00-210.00	140-145	145.96	2,640	144.28
TENDERLOINS	278	117.00-195.00	126-129	129.39	223	117.00-185.00	128-131	129.73	927	129.09
BREAST - LINE RUN	146	82.00-92.00	85-87	86.92	96	84.00-91.00	85-88	86.93	445	86.38
FRONT HALVES	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	300	66.07
LEGS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	282	57.02
LEG QUARTERS (BULK	589	42.00-46.00	43-44	43.66	594	36.00-45.00	43-44	42.99	2,335	43.33
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,175	44.00-48.00	45-46	45.39	1,000	42.00-47.00	45-46	45.25	4,025	44.78
WINGS (WHOLE)	605	70.00-85.00	-	74.01	290	70.00-85.00	81-83	80.43	1,447	78.59
WINGS (CUT)	372	87.00-95.00	-	93.68	410	87.00-100.00	94-96	93.70	1,439	93.50
DRUMSTICKS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		68	57.00-68.00	-	58.29	272	57.96
THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	112	58.07
B/S THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		95	104.00-114.00	-	108.00	275	108.80
WHOLE BODY INDEX BA	ASED ON	i southern s	**************************************	******** TS	WHOLE	BODY INDEX BA	************ ASED ON SO	UTHERN ST	ATES PA	**************************************
TRADING FOR JULY 07,	2005 F.C	D.B. DOCK.			TRADIN	IG FOR JULY 08,	2005 F.O.B.	DOCK.		
RANG	E	TODA	Y'S AVERAG	E		RANGE	TODAY'S	AVERAGE	5-DA	AVERAGE
52.50 - 57.00	0		54.6	0		49.50 - 57.50		55.22		54.76

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying activity increased slightly entering the weekend and was noted as fair to moderate at best. Offerings of bone-in breasts were adequate to well cleared; boneless skinless breasts were at least adequate. Most dark meat items were in close balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were at least sufficient for current trade needs. Retail and distributive movement was mostly fair. The market tone was mostly steady on breast items, steady to instances firm on most dark meat cuts. Wings were steady at best. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DLVRD TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER LB.

JULY 07	CURRENT NEG	WTD		CURRENT NEG	WTD		JULY 08	8 WEEKLY
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVO	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	150-155	144.07	567,560	150-155	144.89	696,600	144.59	2,445,430
TENDERLOINS	125	119.51	230,760	125	121.48	176,500	122.00	730,198
BREAST - WITH RIBS	87-88	93.54	86,280	87-88	93.77	72,560	93.19	370,560
BREAST - LINE RUN	87	88.72	82,800	87	89.79	81,600	88.96	326,800
LEGS	58-59	61.12	121,960	59-60	61.41	111,400	59.83	590,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	45-46	44.79	438,420	45-46	44.60	416,160	44.60	1,606,758
DRUMSTICKS	62-63	58.22	136,240	62-63	59.35	146,840	58.23	570,160
THIGHS	53-54	59.01	71,400	53-54	60.74	70,520	58.72	283,500
B/S THIGHS	104-105	101.57	135,260	104-105	102.87	113,440	102.10	458,200
WINGS (WHOLE)	80-81	84.14	155,560	80-81	81.28	141,440	83.57	541,360
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIP	PED) 10-12	11.88	13,800	10-12	11.33	17,680	11.61	58,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	32.36	14,640	35-40	34.06	13,640	32.54	62,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	49.55	21,280	45-50	49.98	18,120	49.91	74,320

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).* TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M. ** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPE, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATE	D SLAUGH	TER OF E	ROILER-FR	YERS (IN	THOUS	ANDS)					
	ESTIM	ATED	ACTU	<u>AL</u>	AVG \	WT	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	SOUTHERN CALIFORNI	A (L.A. AREA) PRO	<u>DCESSED</u>
	07/08	07/07	07/06	07/05	07/06	07/05	07/01	06/29	POULTRY, DELIVERED	TO RETAILERS	
Alabama	4,868	4,138	4,001	3,953	5.29	5.22	5,135	5.23			<u>RANGE</u>
Arkansas	6,064	5,517	5,432	4,874	5.15	5.23	5,647	5.08	FRESH FRYERS		97-99
Delmarva	2,784	2,350	2,257	2,274	5.59	5.70	3,122	5.72	ROASTERS 4# & UP		99-107
KY-LA-TN	3,017	2,314	2,281	2,289	5.00	5.11	3,165	4.93	HENS UNDER 5#		-
Mississipp	oi 4,060	3,174	3,079	3,039	5.56	5.69	4,551	5.61	HENS OVER 5#		65-73
North Card	olina 3,317	2,524	2,461	2,464	6.37	6.42	4,766	6.49	DUCKS		-
Texas	2,493	2,550	2,553	2,764	5.19	5.24	2,517	5.19	RABBITS WHOLE		-
Total	26,603	22,567	22,064	21,657	5.40	5.47	28,903	5.40	CUT UP		-
Mon-Fri	95,237(A)					116,201 ((A)			
` '	y cumulative								SAN FRANCISCO PROC		
									DELIVERED TO RESTAU	JRANTS AND INST	<u>ITUTIONS</u>
to be 40,9°	19,000 head	d down 8.	.23 percent	from a w	eek ago	and up	10.17 perc	ent from a			RANGE
year ago.									FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	108
(Last week	k 44,590,00	0, last ye	ar 37,142,0	000)						ICE PACK	105-107
									ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	111
	oiler-fryer s									ICE PACK	108-111
estimated	to be 147,5	545,000 l	head down	15.61pe	rcent fro	om a we	eek ago, ar	nd up 1.06	HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	95

DUCKS

ICE PACK

89-93

180-192

percent from a year ago.

(Last week 174,829,000, last year 145,999,000)

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YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection. classified by live wt., week ending 25-Jun-05 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service	(B) Retail e	(C) Deboning
	4.20 Lbs. & do	wn 4.21-5.25 Lbs	s. 5.26 Lbs. & Up
		THOUSANDS	
Head	30,11	2 25,652	54,561
Avg Weight	3.7	8 4.83	6.34
% of total /1	279	% 23%	49%
Comparison	S		
Last week	26,02	6 26,861	44,300
Avg Weight	3.7	4 4.78	6.41
% of total /1	279	% 28%	46%
Same week,	yr ago /2 25,44	1 22,809	53,405
Avg Weight	3.7	6 4.74	6.37
% of total /1	259	% 22%	53%
To date/2005	691,67	1 550,493	1,230,930
To date/2004	663,50	5 541,587	1,131,394
/1 May not to	tal to 100% due t	o rounding	

- /1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.
- /2 Comparable week.
- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING	02-JUL-2005	(PR	ELIMINAF	RY)	
	YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL	
	CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS	DUCKS
		THO	USANDS-		
Head	174,829	1,574	1,452	3,026	482
Avg Wt	5.47	3.27	8.03	5.55	6.53
Last week	171,159	1,658	1,572	3,230	476
Same wk yr ago	160,885	1,452	1,354	2,806	480
Avg Wt	5.09	3.42	7.73	5.50	6.37
To-date/2005	4,154,948	40,438	35,973	76,411	12,958
To-date/2004	4,032,325	34,697	33,766	68,463	12,074

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 167.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 177.0 million head, or 9.8 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/

	A \ / A II	COMPARISON	
FRIFR		COMPARISON	

TITLIX AVAILABILITY COMPANISON									
		MILLION HEAD	MILLION H	HEAD					
WEEK ENDING		SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABL	E PCT	AVG WT				
May	28	164.0	166.5	98%	5.23				
June	4	149.9	165.9	90%	5.30				
	11	169.2	167.1	101%	5.35				
	18	171.9	168.3	102%	5.36				
	25	173.2	167.6	103%	5.29				
July	2	177.0	167.2	106%	5.47				
Year to date		4,205.4	4,270.4	98%					
July	9		166.8						
-	16		166.6						

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

<u>Under Federal Inspection</u>										
THOUSANDS										
W/E	07/09/05	07/01/05	<u>% CHG</u>	07/10/04	<u>% CHG</u>					
Broilers	147,545	174,829*	-16	145,999*	+01					
Cattle	548	652	-16	533*	+03					
Hogs *ACTUAL	1,629	1,879	-13	1,621*	0					

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 04-JUL-2005 **DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS. US** GRADE A. 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND MOSTLY	143-145	149-153
MIDWEST MOSTLY	127-131	128-133

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS. US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED, **CENTS PER POUND**

		RANGE	MOSILY
ICE PACKED (12 PER	BOX)	62.00-75.50	67.00-74.50
VACUUM PACKED (6-			72.00-78.00
SQUABS: NEW YORK A	REA WHOLES	SALE PRICES, F	ROZEN,
PLANT GRADE, DOLLAR	RS PER DOZE	N, 1 TO 10 BOX	ŒS
12 OZ.	63.	36-72.90	
14 OZ.	69.	84-81.00	
16 OZ.	74.	88-89.10	
THE EASTERN REGION	INCLUDES:		

 $\mathsf{CT}, \mathsf{DE}, \mathsf{FL}, \mathsf{GA}, \mathsf{MA}, \mathsf{MD}, \mathsf{ME}, \mathsf{NC}, \mathsf{NH}, \mathsf{NJ}, \mathsf{NY}, \mathsf{PA} \; \mathsf{RI}, \mathsf{SC}, \mathsf{VA}, \mathsf{VT}, \mathsf{WV}$

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices remained unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were in to adequate for current needs. Schedules full-time for next week. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$3.50-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.45-1.95, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$0.50-0.65, livers at \$0.95-1.70, and feet at \$1.00-1.15.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, CENTS PER POUND. WEEK OF 04-JUL-2005

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	126-146	128-148
MOSTLY		

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - PRICES PAID PER POUND, EXCEPT AS NOTED**AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY** DATE OF AUCTION: JULY 05, 2005

	<u>R</u>	ANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.20	- 1.25
Pekin Ducks	5.00	- 5.25 ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.25	35
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.60	70
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.60	75
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.50	90
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.50	60
Guinea Fowl	.80	90
Banty Roosters	3.00	- 3.25 ea.
Banty Hens	1.50	- 1.75ea.
Silkies	1.75	- 2.25ea.
Pigeons	3.00	- 3.10ea.
White Pigeons	4.35	- 5.00ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	.60	75
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	.70	90
Bunnies	.50	- 1.25 ea.
Guinea Pigs	.01	05ea.
Goats	40.00	-45.00 ea.
Kid Goats	30.00	-35.00ea.
Doves	3.75	- 4.00ea.
Total Coops Sold 480		

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report for heavy canners; light canners were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to no better than fair and generally unaggressive for light canners; heavy canners were mostly fair with most available supplies being used internally. Offerings ranged adequate to fully adequate. Processing schedules were less than normal due to the holiday. The undertone was no better than steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 23-30 MAJORITY 26-27

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED **LIGHT CANNER HENS**

(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 24-33 MAJORITY 27.5-28.5

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Majority prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week ago. Demand ranged moderate to good. Offerings of spent hens were mostly adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady. **RANGE MAJORITY** REMOVAL COST

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of light hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Disposal values were expected to remain constant.

RANGE **MAJORITY** REMOVAL COST TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Removal costs were unchanged. Offerings of spent fowl had decreased and were reported as mostly adequate to instances short of full schedules into rendering operations. Demand was fairly good. Trade sentiment continued **RANGE MAJORITY** unsettled. REMOVAL COST .5-14 5-6

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules moderate. Offerings adequate.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-JULY-05

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product were generally adequate for current needs. The undertone was mostly steady.

AT FARM BUYER LOADING AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING FOB PLANT

TOO FEW TO REPORT TOO FEW TO REPORT TOO FEW TO REPORT

RANGE MAJORITY

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from primary users. Shedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade **RANGE** MAJORITY sentiment was at least steady. AT FARM BUYER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS, SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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